No. 9.

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to court house and post office in the city of Oshkosh.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the senators in congress from this state be directed, and the representatives requested to use all proper endeavors to procure from congress an appropriation for the erection of a suitable building in the city of Oshkosh for the accommodation of the United States court held in that city, and the use of the post office department.

Resolved, That the secretary of state send certified copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our senators and representatives in

congress.

Approved March 11, 1784.

No. 10.

JOINT RESOLUTION, relating to the improvement of the Mississippi river and its tributaries.

WHEREAS, The improvement of the Mississippi river and its tributaries will go far toward solving the vexed question of transportation, affording to the people of different sections of our country the opportunity for interchange of their products at less cost, and to the producers of the West especially, a choice of markets and a better price for the fruits of their industry, and

Whereas, These measures are in the highest degree national in character and of peculiar importance to the people of the Mis-

sissippi valley, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, that our Senators from this state be instructed, and our representatives in congress requested to urge in the congress of the United States, the opening of the mouth of the Mississippi river, so that a clear channel of sufficient depth for the largest vessels of commerce, may at all times be maintained; the immediate completion of works in progress at the Des Moines and Rock Island rapids; the removal of obstructions from the channel of the Mississippi river according to the recommendations of the United States engineer in charge, so that a channel of not less than ten feet in depth may at all times be maintained before the mouth of the Missouri, and the improvement of the chief tributaries of the Mississippi, and of the upper portions of that river, so that the main channel may become accessible as a highway for commerce to the people of all the states of the Mississippi valley, and the appropriations of such sums as may be necessary to carry forward, without delay, this great work of national importance. And be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the governor to our senators and representatives in congress, and to the presiding officers of the United States senate and house of representatives.

Approved March 12, 1874.

No. 11.

JOINT RESOLUTION directing the secretary of state not to publish bill number four hundred and sixty-six, Assembly, regulating tariff on railroads, until April 28, 1874.

Resolved by the senate the assembly concurring, That the secretary of state be and hereby is instructed not to publish or cause to be published, until April 28, 1874, Assembly bill number four hundred and sixty-six, an act passed during the present session of the legislature regulating the tariff for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state.

Approved March 12, 1874.

No. 12.

JOINT RESOLUTION directing the commissioners of school and university lands to ascertain if the state of Wisconsin is entitled to any patents for lands from the United States.

Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the commissioners of school and university lands are hereby authorized and directed to take such action as they shall deem necessary for the purpose of ascertaining whether the state of Wisconsin is now entitled to patents of any lands from the United States, and if so to endeavor to obtain the same: provided, that no expense to the state shall be incurred in carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

Approved March 14, 1874.

No. 13.

JOINT RESOLUTION of condolence on the death of Hon. Charles Sumner.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature of Wisponsin has just heard with deep regret, of the death of Charles Sumner, of Massachusetts, a man who always acted true to his convictions; who was true and faithful to the principles of a republican form of governmen; a statesman and scholar, whose loss the United States have reason to deplore.